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Ms. Nancy Lewis Associate Administrator for Enforcement National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215) Room W48-302 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Madam:

The enclosed Noncompliance Information Report is being submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573. Nissan plans to petition the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for a determination that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety. The petition will be mailed to the Administrator within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Very truly,

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John Gibbons Senior Manager, Technical Compliance

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NONCOMPLIANCE INFORMATION REPORT

1. Manufacturer:

Nissan North America, Inc.

2. Vehicles Potentially Involved:

2012 Model Year Nissan Titan vehicles equipped with optional the Sports Appearance Package manufactured from June 10, 2011 to July February 22, 2012. Vehicles manufactured after these dates are not affected.

3. Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved:

918 vehicles

4. Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Actually Contain the Noncompliance:

100%

5. <u>Description of the Noncompliance</u>:

On the affected vehicles, the seating capacity displayed on the tire placard is incorrect and therefore does not meet the requirement specified in S4.3(b) of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 110. All other applicable FMVSS 110 requirements are met.

The subject vehicles are equipped with two bucket seats in the front seating area which results in a five seat configuration (total of 5 occupants: 2 front, 3 rear). The space between the two front bucket seats is occupied by a hard plastic console with cup holders that cannot be used as or mistaken for a seating position. The second row has 3 seating positions. On the subject vehicles, the tire information placard states that the total vehicle seating capacity is 6, with 3 seats in the 1st row, and 3 seats in the 2nd row. This is incorrect for the subject vehicles.

6. Basis for Determination of the Existence of a Noncompliance

During a recent audit of the Tire Safety Information placards, Nissan found that the seating capacity stated on the tire placard of the audited vehicle was incorrect for 2012 Titan models equipped with the Sports Appearance Package.

Nissan initiated an investigation, and inspected some potentially affected vehicles. Based on the inspections, Nissan determined that the stated seating capacity for the subject vehicles is incorrect and therefore does not meet the requirement specified in S4.3(b) of FMVSS 110.

7. <u>Description of Corrective Action</u>:

Nissan intends to submit a Petition for a Determination of Inconsequential Noncompliance in accordance with 49 CFR Part 556 to be exempted from the notice and remedy requirements on the basis that the noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety.

8. Copy of Notices:

Copies of all notices, if any, will be provided to NHTSA as they become available.